

REMARKS

The specification has been amended on page 1 to add the priority information and on pages 19 and 35 to correct formatting and printing errors caused by the computer software. No new matter has been introduced.

Claims 1-2, 14, 19-21, and 26-28 have been canceled without prejudice to Applicants' right to pursue the subject matter of the canceled claims in the instant or related patent applications. Claims 3-6, 10-13, and 22-24 have been amended to clarify that which Applicants regard as the invention. Support for the amendment to claims 3-6 is found in the specification on page 23, line 29 to page 28, line 17; Table 1; and page 35, line 21 to page 37, line 14. Support for the amendment to claims 10-13 is found in the specification on page 79, Table 5 and page 80, Table 6. Claims 22-24 are amended to correct their dependency. No new matter has been introduced.

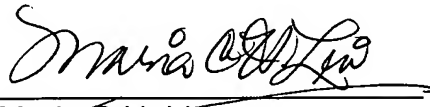
Upon entry of the above-made amendments, claims 3-13, 15-18, and 22-25 will be pending.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request that the above-made amendments be entered and made of record in the instant application. An early allowance is earnestly requested.

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